
**Combined Notice
Notice to Public of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Notice to Public of
Request for Release of Funds**

(This publication requires a fifteen (15) day local comment period and a fifteen (15) day state comment period.)

SAMPLE

(Please read thoroughly and edit text appropriately.)

Town of Americana
P.O. Box 123
Americana, Indiana 47777

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about May 16, 2001 the above named Town of Americana will request the State of Indiana to release federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for the following project:

Americana Storm Sewer Improvements Project

The project will consist of the rehabilitation and construction of storm sewer lines throughout the downtown to alleviate severe drainage problems.

Americana, Flag County, Indiana

Finding of No Significant Impact

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above named Town of Americana has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such statement are as follows:

All preliminary environmental reviews by state and county agencies indicated that the proposed project would not endanger the environment under any capacity.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the proposed project has been made by the above named Town of Americana which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request the Americana Town Hall between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the

request for release of funds.

Public Comments of Findings

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the Town of Americana to the Americana Town Hall, PO Box 123, Americana, Indiana 47777. Such written comments should be received by May 16, 2001. All such comments so received will be considered and the Town of Americana will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the proposed project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentences.

Release of Funds

The Town of Americana will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant funds from the State of Indiana under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The Town of Americana is certifying to the State that the Town of Americana and John Smith, in his official capacity as Council President consents to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval the Town of Americana may use the Block Grant funds and the State will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Objections to State Release of Funds

The State will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer or other officer of applicant approved by the State; or (b) that the applicant's environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to the State of Indiana, Indiana Department of Commerce, Environmental Officer, One North Capitol, Suite 600, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 - 2288.

Objections to the release of funds on basis other than those stated above will not be considered by the State. No objections received after May 31, 2001 will be considered by the State.

John Smith
Council President
Town of Americana